HOUSE BILL 2903

By Gresham

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, relative to funding priorities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 9, Chapter 4, Part 51, is amended by adding the following new section:

§9-4-5117. Notwithstanding any law to the contrary, the general appropriations act shall first provide funding for functions of kindergarten through grade twelve (K-12) education. All other functions of state government shall be funded only after funding has been provided for such education functions.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2007, the public welfare requiring it.